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| <b>Request<br/>for<br/>Continued Examination (RCE)<br/>Transmittal</b>  |  | <b>Application Number</b> 10/529,164-Conf. #4338<br><b>Filing Date</b> March 24, 2005<br><b>First Named Inventor</b> Osamu Ito<br><b>Art Unit</b> 2435<br><b>Examiner Name</b> D. B. Schwartz<br><b>Attorney/Docket Number</b> SONYJP 3.3-344 |
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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